



Governor's Office of
Economic Opportunity

Local Planning Grants

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BEAD Planning Grants

Purpose: Support the development of local digital connectivity plans and identification of projects to expand high-speed internet access in local communities



Digital Access Planning Grants

Purpose: Support the development of local digital equity plans and identify projects to expand digital connectivity in local communities

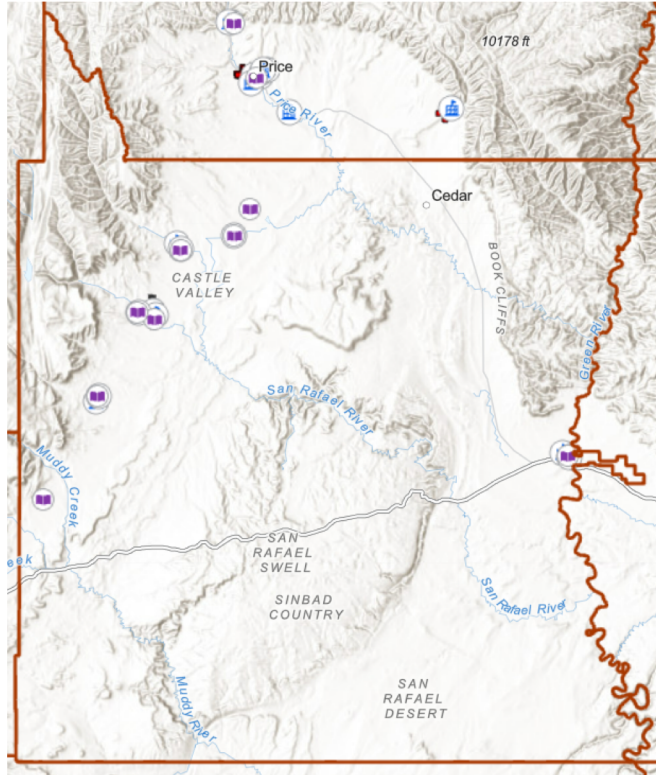
Planning Subgrants Overview

Eligibility

- Eligible applicants include:
 - Municipalities
 - Associations of governments
 - Tribal governments
 - Educational organizations
 - Government agencies
 - Nonprofit organizations
- Ineligible applicants include internet service providers
- Priorities include unserved/underserved areas, covered populations, applicants with mandate from governing body, collaborative applications, applicants that have already begun planning



Planning Subgrants Overview



Allowable Costs

- Consultant services
- Research and data collection
- Outreach and communications, including outreach events
- Asset mapping of adoption, affordability, and equity resources
- Mapping efforts to identify unserved and underserved locations
- Conducting surveys of unserved, underserved, and underrepresented communities
- Indirect costs associated with project activities

Applications

Awardees will be announced soon

Local Broadband Planning Grant:

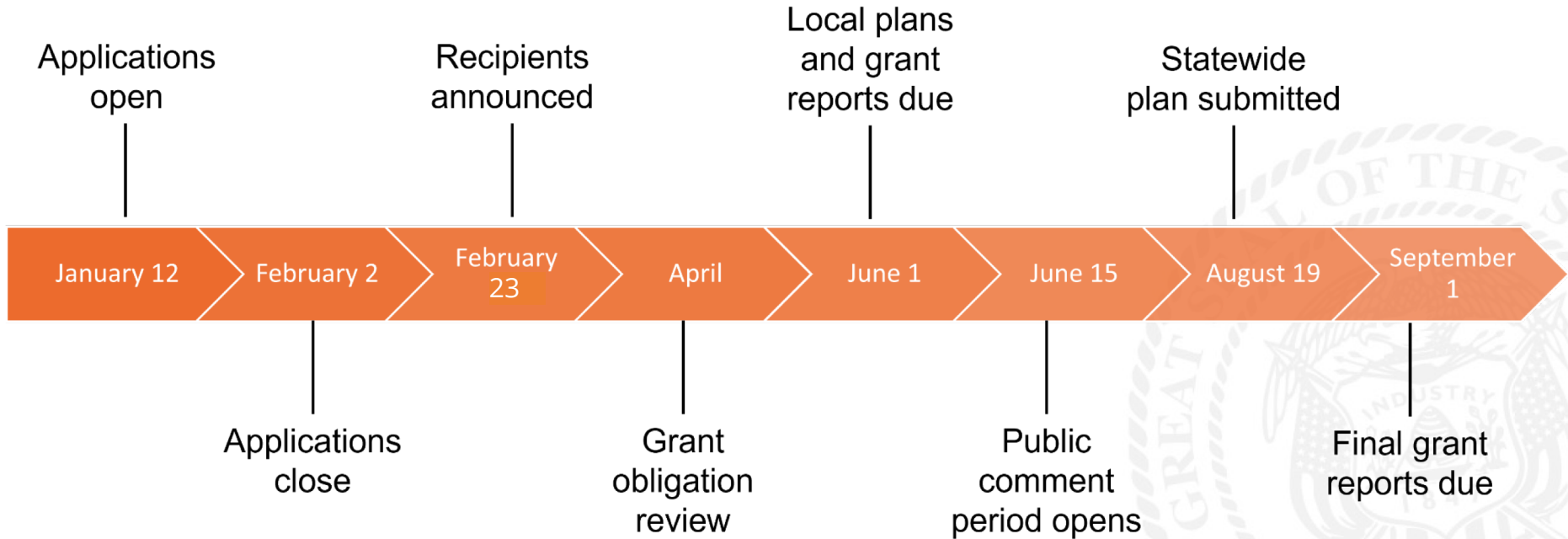
- \$700,000 available funds
- 33 applications
- \$1,158,099.71 total funding requested

Local Digital Access Planning Grant:

- \$188,423 available funds
- 18 applications submitted
- \$487,485.50 total funding requested



Timeline



Missed this one?

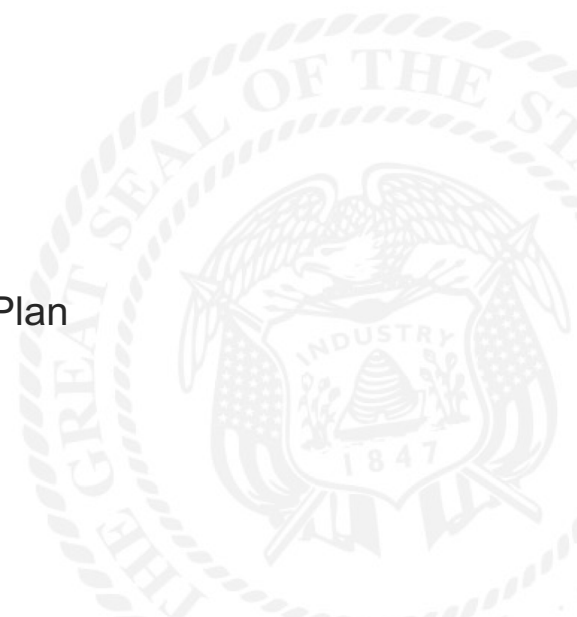
Other Resources Available for Local Planning

Freely Available

- Template: Suggested Activities for Local Planning Process
- Crash course in Digital Connectivity Planning (forthcoming)
- Template: Local Broadband Infrastructure Plan (forthcoming)
- Template: Local Digital Equity Plan (forthcoming)
- Inclusion of completed local plan in State Digital Connectivity Plan

For Planning Grant Recipients

- *Monthly cohort calls*
- *Technical assistance on reporting and compliance*





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